

MEETING MINUTES
Board of Mental Health Practice
September 9, 2016

These minutes were approved by the
Board on November 4, 2016

1. ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Board of Mental Health Practice was called to order by the Chair, Dale Battleson, at 9:04 a.m. in Lower Level Room A, State Office Building, 301 Centennial Mall South, Lincoln, Nebraska. Copies of the agenda were mailed to the Board members and other interested parties in accordance with the Open Meetings Law.

Members Present:	Dale Battleson Susan Feyen William Gaughan Tom Maxson Terrance Moore Allison Reisbig Sarita Ruma	Chair Vice-Chair Member Member Member Member Member
Members Absent:	Shari Schnuelle	Secretary (arrived at 9:04 a.m.)
Others Present:	Kris Chiles Nancy Herdman Mindy Lester Anna Harrison Dennis Scott Russ Fosler Carl Cue Kathleen Krueger Mark Meyerson	Program Manager, Licensure Unit Health Licensing Coordinator Assistant Attorney General Compliance Monitor Investigator Administrator, Investigations Investigator Investigator Investigator

A quorum was present and the meeting convened.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION: Gaughan moved, seconded by Reisbig, to adopt the agenda. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Maxson, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Schnuelle (1). Abstain: None (0). Motion carried.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES (7-1-16)

MOTION: Ruma moved, seconded by Moore, to approve the minutes of 7-1-16. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Maxson, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Schnuelle (1). Abstain: None (0). Motion carried.

4. INVESTIGATIVE REPORTS & OTHER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION – CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Ruma moved, seconded by Reisbig, to enter into closed session at 9:03 a.m. to hear discussions of an investigative/confidential nature, and for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of the individuals. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Maxson, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma (7). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: Schnuelle (1). Motion carried.

9:04 a.m.	-	Schnuelle entered meeting
9:13 a.m.	-	Moore departed meeting (conflict)
9:25 a.m.	-	Moore entered meeting
9:35 a.m.	-	Schnuelle departed meeting (conflict)
9:47 a.m.	-	Schnuelle entered meeting
10:50 a.m.	-	Break
11:00 a.m.	-	Resumed meeting; Lester departed meeting
		Teresa Hampton, Department attorney, entered meeting
11:57 a.m.	-	Harrison departed meeting

MOTION: Maxson moved, seconded by Gaughan, to enter into open session at 11:58 a.m. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Maxson, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma, Schnuelle (8). Voting nay: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

11:58 a.m. - Lester entered meeting

5. REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS – OPEN SESSION

a. Applications and Reinstatements

Samuel Levi Edwards, Jr. – Reinstatement from Discipline

MOTION: Reisbig moved, seconded by Gaughan, to deny the request for removal of limitation and early release from probation due to applicant not providing adequate evidence to warrant early release or limitation removal. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Maxson, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma, Schnuelle (8). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

Kim Rech – Reinstatement from Discipline (Voluntary Surrender)

MOTION: Feyen moved, seconded by Reisbig, to recommend reinstatement with a 3 year probation with the standard terms and conditions of probation and the following: For first two years supervisor meet face-to-face for at least 1 hour per week to discuss case load, boundaries, stressors, stress management and self-care; supervisor must be a LIMHP or psychologist approved by the Board; no solo practice, supervisor quarterly reports. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Maxson, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma, Schnuelle (8). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

James Holt – Reinstatement from Discipline (Voluntary Surrender)

MOTION: Feyen moved, seconded by Moore, to deny the request for reinstatement due to applicant not providing sufficient evidence to show why the license should be reinstated. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Maxson, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma, Schnuelle (8). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

Miranda Stoll – Reinstatement from Discipline (Voluntary Surrender)

MOTION: Feyen moved, seconded by Schnuelle, to deny the request for reinstatement due to applicant's failure to provide evidence of supervised post-master's hours. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Maxson, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma, Schnuelle (8). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

Jill Dibbern Manhart – Request for 3rd PLMHP

MOTION: Feyen moved, seconded by Reisbig, to recommend denial of a 3rd PLMHP based on regulation 94-004.03A. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Maxson, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma, Schnuelle (8). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

Alyssa Hillman – CSW Applicant

MOTION: Feyen moved, seconded by Schnuelle, to recommend deferral of the application and request additional information. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma, Schnuelle (7). Voting nay: Maxson (1). Abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

Hollie Urbauer – PLMHP Applicant

MOTION: Feyen moved, seconded by Schnuelle, to recommend issuance of the license. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Maxson, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma, Schnuelle (8). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

Cami Sazama – CSW Applicant

MOTION: Gaughan moved, seconded by Moore, to recommend denial of license based on the applicant is still in treatment, current diagnosis, history of convictions and pattern of like convictions, per evaluation recommendations does not have ongoing support & structure to sustain recovery. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Maxson, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma, Schnuelle (8). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

Alexandra Gorup – PLMHP Applicant

MOTION: Feyen moved, seconded by Moore, to recommend issuance of the license. A roll call vote was taken. Voting aye: Battleson, Feyen, Gaughan, Maxson, Moore, Reisbig, Ruma, Schnuelle (8). Voting nay: None (0). Abstain: None (0). Absent: None (0). Motion carried.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a. Status of Regulation 172 NAC 94 (no update)

Chiles stated there was no regulation update.

7. UPDATES AND REPORTS

a. Renewal Update & CE Audit %

Chiles reported the Department had just finished the mental health credentials renewal period. She stated initially there were issues with the computer system but they were fixed and it went well after that. She stated the time to renew was extended to yesterday because renewal notices did not go out on time.

Chiles provided statistics on credential holders who did not renew:

LIMHP – 83
MFT – 18
MSW – 162
LMHP – 550
CPC – 305
CSW - 149

The Board agreed to audit 2% of renewal applications.

Feyen asked Chiles how the process improvement project was going for mental health. Chiles responded that the LIMHP, LMHP, reciprocity and provisional applications had been revised and applications were coming in with less deficiencies. Chiles asked the members who worked with students to share the applications with their students for feedback. She stated applications are now processed within a week. Chiles reported that for the upcoming nursing renewal, renewal wallet cards would not be issued but a card can be printed off the website.

b. AASCB / AMFTRB / ASWB / Citizen Advocacy Center / Justice Behavioral Health Committee

ASWB – Feyen reported she was on the test committee and had an upcoming meeting. She also indicated she would be attending the November meeting at ASWB's expense and wondered if she needed to be approved as the Board delegate. The Board approved Feyen as the delegate to ASWB.

AMFTRB – Battleson reported he would be attending the AMFTRB meeting this month. He stated AMFTRB issued guidelines for teletherapy that will be discussed at the meeting.

Ruma asked about Board vacancies and the need to fill positions. Currently there is a LMHP member and a public member vacancy. The members discussed the limiting of the position to a LMHP. Chiles

commented that since this was a composite Board, it was set up originally with the various credentials in mind. Hampton commented the Board could look at the statutes and perhaps recommend revision of Board membership.

**c. DISCIPLINARY/NON-DISCIPLINARY REPORT / LICENSURE STATISTICS /
ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTY FEES ASSESSED**

Chiles reported there had been one administrative penalty of \$20.

Chiles reported the following examination statistics since the July meeting:

ASWB – 7 pass, 4 fail
NBCC-NCE – 13 pass, 3 fail
NBCC-NCMHCE - 7 pass, 4 fail

The Disciplinary Report beginning with July was distributed.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Battleson adjourned the meeting of the Board of Mental Health Practice at 12:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shari Schnuelle, Secretary
Board of Mental Health Practice

Next Meeting: November 4, 2016

Summarized by: Nancy Herdman, Health Licensing Coordinator, Licensure Unit